

CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

(Mr. KAGEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KAGEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment here to honor the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay women's basketball team for their historic at-large bid to the NCAA tournament.

Now, this may not seem like a big deal to folks from the big cities or from the east or west coast, but in northeast Wisconsin, we could not be prouder of our Phoenix being the first team from the Horizon League to earn an NCAA at-large bid.

I want to commend Head Coach Matt Boland and his team for their remarkable achievement this year. They entered the tournament with 27 wins and launch into the second round today after upsetting the Virginia Cavaliers over the weekend. I also want to point out most of Coach Boland's team is homegrown in Wisconsin. For the lady Phoenix players, most of them spent their lifetime growing up in northeast Wisconsin.

I want to thank the entire UWGB team for making Wisconsin proud, and I wish them good luck tonight in their road to the Final Four.

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING'S NORDIC SKIING CLUB

(Mrs. LUMMIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. LUMMIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my alma mater, the University of Wyoming, and their Nordic Skiing Club.

For the second year in a row, both the men's and women's teams have brought home the gold, sweeping the Division II United States Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Association Nationals.

UW's Cowboys dominated the competition—the men's team earning 59 points, giving them a 29-point lead on St. Olaf College. The UW women's team was a closer call. The Cowgirls were in third place heading into the final 15km team relay. Not only did they take the relay, but their performance gave them a one-point lead on Whitman College, earning them the national title.

Individual recognition should go to Evgeniy Panzhinskiy, who tied for first in the overall individual points standings; Eliah Pedersen, fifth; Daniel Lewis, seventh; and John Kirlin, ninth. For the Cowgirls, Gracey Lewis tied for second, Gwynn Barrows sixth, and Marie Cartwright placed seventh overall.

I would like to congratulate Christi Boggs and Rachel Watson, who coached both teams to championship titles 2 years in a row.

Again, I congratulate the University of Wyoming ski teams on all their suc-

cess. The Cowboy State should be proud of these young men and women.

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MEETING DANIEL WEBSTER'S CHARGE

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, Sunday, this was an historic sight when the health care bill passed this House, and today in the East Room of the White House President Obama signed it into law. The signing of that bill, hopefully changed by the reconciliation bill, will stand with Medicare, Social Security, and civil rights as some of the great laws to ever pass in this Nation's history. I am so proud to have been a part of it.

To reflect on Daniel Webster, whose words are engraved above the Speaker's rostrum in the wall of this building, "Let us develop the resources of our land, call forth its powers, build up its institutions, promote all its great interests and see whether we also in our day and generation may not perform something worthy to be remembered."

This Democratic 111th Congress has met Daniel Webster's charge and done something for this generation and others worthy to be remembered.

HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL: WHAT'S NEXT?

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, people are asking: Now that the health care overhaul has been passed, what's next? Well, my colleagues and I are saying we need to repeal the most egregious parts of this legislation and replace them with real, effective reforms.

We must do more than simply repeal this bill. We have to replace it with reforms that will actually bring down the cost of health care. We have solutions that focus first on lowering cost and preserving jobs. We have to repeal the over \$500 billion in job-killing taxes on the bill, repeal taxpayer funding of abortion and start over with laws that respect life.

I am a strong supporter of legislation that allows everyone to purchase health insurance across State lines. We should be expanding tax-free health savings accounts for all Americans, giving patients control over their health care and giving small businesses the power to pool together.

Madam Speaker, the health care overhaul is a travesty of justice, and we can do better.

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP SERVICE IN NATIONAL STATUARY HALL

(Mr. AKIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. AKIN. Madam Speaker, last Sunday, March 21, Republican and Democrat Members and their families gathered for a Christian worship service in Statuary Hall. This actually has been a longstanding tradition. Years ago, services were held in the Rotunda. They were held weekly, and various Presidents would go to those services.

The service Sunday was organized by Congressman FORBES and Congressman MCINTYRE. I led the singing of three hymns. All available seats were taken and Statuary Hall was about half full. The service was dignified and reverent, it was led by Members of both parties, and, finally, Father Frank Pavone gave a short sermon.

As the bright sunlight shone from the windows overhead, the sense of God's grace was abundant. It was a particularly special moment for Members of the House. I thought it would be appropriate to enter that in the journal as a memory of that Sunday service.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. KIRKPATRICK of Arizona). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

POWER GRAB AND USURPATION OF STATES' RIGHTS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, I continue to sound the battle cry on this, because since 1913, the States have had no way to prevent usurpation of States' rights; they have had no way to do anything about unfunded mandates that were crammed down their throats.

The Constitution itself provided for that in that it said the State legislatures would select the U.S. Senators. As long as that was the case, every U.S. Senator knew if they created an unfunded mandate, if they took away States' rights or did anything to harm the States' power that was granted to them under the United States Constitution, they would yank that Senator back, and he would never come back to the U.S. Senate and would probably never get elected to the House of Representatives. But that was the check and balance that the brilliance of the Constitution provided.

Since 1913, when that was repealed through the 17th Amendment, there has not been any check or balance on our power grab and usurpation of States' rights. It's time to do something about it, and we saw that by the unfunded mandate requiring billions of dollars that could bankrupt our States being shoved down their throats by a bill that was signed into law today.